



Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

September 19, 2008

Washington, D.C. 20531

Mr. A.C. Wharton Jr.
Shelby County
160 North Main Street, Suite 850
Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Mr. Wharton:

On behalf of Attorney General Michael B. Mukasey, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Office on Violence Against Women has approved your application for funding under the FY 2008 Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program in the amount of \$1,109,969 for Shelby County. This award provides the opportunity for recipients to develop and strengthen effective responses to violence against women. The Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (Arrest) encourages communities to treat domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking as serious crimes by strengthening the criminal justice response to these crimes and promoting a coordinated community response. Victim safety and offender accountability are the center piece of all Arrest projects.

Enclosed you will find the award package. This award is subject to all administrative and financial requirements, including the timely submission of all financial and programmatic reports, resolution of all interim audit findings, and the maintenance of a minimum level of cash-on-hand. Should you not adhere to these requirements, you will be in violation of the terms of this agreement and the award will be subject to termination for cause or other administrative action as appropriate.

If you have questions regarding this award, please contact Darla Sims at (202) 514-8818. For financial questions, contact the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Customer Service Center (CSC) at (800) 458-0786, or by email at ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov.

Congratulations, and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Cindy Dyer".

Cindy Dyer
Director, Office on Violence Against Women

Enclosures



Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Office for Civil Rights

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Dear Mr. Wharton:

Congratulations on your recent award. In establishing financial assistance programs, Congress linked the receipt of Federal funding to compliance with Federal civil rights laws. The Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice is responsible for ensuring that recipients of financial aid from OJP, its component offices and bureaus, the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) comply with applicable Federal civil rights statutes and regulations. We at OCR are available to help you and your organization meet the civil rights requirements that come with Justice Department funding.

Ensuring Access to Federally Assisted Programs

As you know, Federal laws prohibit recipients of financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, or disability in funded programs or activities, not only in respect to employment practices but also in the delivery of services or benefits. Federal law also prohibits funded programs or activities from discriminating on the basis of age in the delivery of services or benefits.

Providing Services to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Individuals

In accordance with Department of Justice Guidance pertaining to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, recipients of Federal financial assistance must take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to their programs and activities for persons with limited English proficiency (LEP). For more information on the civil rights responsibilities that recipients have in providing language services to LEP individuals, please see the website at <http://www.lep.gov>.

Ensuring Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations

The Department of Justice has published a regulation specifically pertaining to the funding of faith-based organizations. In general, the regulation, Participation in Justice Department Programs by Religious Organizations; Providing for Equal Treatment of all Justice Department Program Participants, and known as the Equal Treatment Regulation 28 C.F.R. part 38, requires State Administering Agencies to treat these organizations the same as any other applicant or recipient. The regulation prohibits State Administering Agencies from making award or grant administration decisions on the basis of an organization's religious character or affiliation, religious name, or the religious composition of its board of directors.

The regulation also prohibits faith-based organizations from using financial assistance from the Department of Justice to fund inherently religious activities. While faith-based organizations can engage in non-funded inherently religious activities, they must be held separately from the Department of Justice funded program, and customers or beneficiaries cannot be compelled to participate in them. The Equal Treatment Regulation also makes clear that organizations participating in programs funded by the Department of Justice are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion. For more information on the regulation, please see OCR's website at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ocr/etfbo.htm>.

State Administering Agencies and faith-based organizations should also note that the Safe Streets Act, as amended; the Victims of Crime Act, as amended; and the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, as amended, contain prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of religion in employment. Despite these nondiscrimination provisions, the Justice Department has concluded that the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) is reasonably construed, on a case-by-case basis, to require that its funding agencies permit faith-based organizations applying for funding under the applicable program statutes both to receive DOJ funds and to continue considering religion when hiring staff, even if the statute that authorizes the funding program generally forbids considering of religion in employment decisions by grantees.

Questions about the regulation or the application of RFRA to the statutes that prohibit discrimination in employment may be directed to this Office.

Enforcing Civil Rights Laws

All recipients of Federal financial assistance, regardless of the particular funding source, the amount of the grant award, or the number of employees in the workforce, are subject to the prohibitions against unlawful discrimination. Accordingly, OCR investigates recipients that are the subject of discrimination complaints from both individuals and groups. In addition, based on regulatory criteria, OCR selects a number of recipients each year for compliance reviews, audits that require recipients to submit data showing that they are providing services equitably to all segments of their service population and that their employment practices meet equal employment opportunity standards.

Complying with the Safe Streets Act or Program Requirements

In addition to these general prohibitions, an organization which is a recipient of financial assistance subject to the nondiscrimination provisions of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act (Safe Streets Act) of 1968, 42 U.S.C. § 3789d(c), or other Federal grant program requirements, must meet two additional requirements: (1) complying with Federal regulations pertaining to the development of an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP), 28 C.F.R. § 42.301-.308, and (2) submitting to OCR Findings of Discrimination (see 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.205(5) or 31.202(5)).

1) Meeting the EEOP Requirement

In accordance with Federal regulations, Assurance No. 6 in the Standard Assurances, COPS Assurance No. 8.B, or certain Federal grant program requirements, your organization must comply with the following EEOP reporting requirements:

If your organization has received an award for \$500,000 or more and has 50 or more employees (counting both full- and part-time employees but excluding political appointees), then it has to prepare an EEOP and submit it to OCR for review **within 60 days from the date of this letter**. For assistance in developing an EEOP, please consult OCR's website at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ocr/eeop.htm>. You may also request technical assistance from an EEOP specialist at OCR by dialing (202) 616-3208.

If your organization received an award between \$25,000 and \$500,000 and has 50 or more employees, your organization still has to prepare an EEOP, but it does not have to submit the EEOP to OCR for review. Instead, your organization has to maintain the EEOP on file and make it available for review on request. In addition, your organization has to complete Section B of the Certification Form and return it to OCR. The Certification Form can be found at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ocr/eeop.htm>.

If your organization received an award for less than \$25,000; or if your organization has less than 50 employees, regardless of the amount of the award; or if your organization is a medical institution, educational institution, nonprofit organization or Indian tribe, then your organization is exempt from the EEOP requirement. However, your organization must complete Section A of the Certification Form and return it to OCR. The Certification Form can be found at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ocr/eeop.htm>.

2) Submitting Findings of Discrimination

In the event a Federal or State court or Federal or State administrative agency makes an adverse finding of discrimination against your organization after a due process hearing, on the ground of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex, your organization must submit a copy of the finding to OCR for review.

Ensuring the Compliance of Subrecipients

If your organization makes subawards to other agencies, you are responsible for assuring that subrecipients also comply with all of the applicable Federal civil rights laws, including the requirements pertaining to developing and submitting an EEOP, reporting Findings of Discrimination, and providing language services to LEP persons. State agencies that make subawards must have in place standard grant assurances and review procedures to demonstrate that they are effectively monitoring the civil rights compliance of subrecipients.

If we can assist you in any way in fulfilling your civil rights responsibilities as a recipient of Federal funding, please call OCR at (202) 307-0690 or visit our website at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ocr/>.

Sincerely,



Michael L. Alston
Director

cc: Grant Manager
Financial Analyst



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Office of Justice Programs
Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Washington, D.C. 20531

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Reference Grant Number: 2008-WE-AX-0037

Dear Mr. Wharton:

I am pleased to inform you that my office has approved the following budget categories for the aforementioned grant award in the cost categories identified below:

Category	Budget
Personnel	\$473,928
Fringe Benefits	\$71,011
Travel	\$10,420
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Construction	\$0
Contractual	\$554,610
Other	\$0
Total Direct Cost	\$1,109,969
Indirect Cost	\$0
Total Project Cost	\$1,109,969
Federal Funds Approved:	\$1,109,969
Non-Federal Share:	\$0
Program Income:	\$0

Match is not required for this grant program.

All Sole Source procurement in excess of \$100,000 requires written justification and the prior approval of OVW.

All individual consultant fees in excess of \$450 per 8 hour day require prior approval of OVW.



The applicant is a local government unit and is not required to submit an indirect cost rate agreement. The grantee must retain the cost allocation plans on file for audit purposes.

If you have questions regarding this award, please contact:

- Program Questions, Darla Sims, Program Manager at (202) 514-8818
- Financial Questions, the Office of Chief Financial Officer, Customer Service Center(CSC) at (800) 458-0786, or you may contact the CSC at ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov.

Congratulations, and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

 <div>Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women Office on Violence Against Women</div>	Grant	PAGE 1 OF 4
1. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS (Including Zip Code) Shelby County 160 North Main Street, Suite 850 Memphis, TN 38103	4. AWARD NUMBER: 2008-WE-AX-0037	
	5. PROJECT PERIOD: FROM 09/01/2008 TO 08/31/2010 BUDGET PERIOD: FROM 09/01/2008 TO 08/31/2010	
	6. AWARD DATE 09/19/2008	7. ACTION Initial
1A. GRANTEE IRS/VENDOR NO. 626000842	8. SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 00	
	9. PREVIOUS AWARD AMOUNT \$ 0	
3. PROJECT TITLE Collaborative Grant to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders	10. AMOUNT OF THIS AWARD \$ 1,109,969	
	11. TOTAL AWARD \$ 1,109,969	
12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS THE ABOVE GRANT PROJECT IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO SUCH CONDITIONS OR LIMITATIONS AS ARE SET FORTH ON THE ATTACHED PAGE(S).		
13. STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR GRANT This project is supported under 42 U.S.C. 3796hh - 3796hh-4 (OVW - Arrest)		
15. METHOD OF PAYMENT PAPRS		
<div>AGENCY APPROVAL</div> <div>GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE</div>		
16. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Cindy Dyer Director, Office on Violence Against Women	18. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GRANTEE OFFICIAL A.C. Wharton Director	
17. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL 	19. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL	19A. DATE
<div>AGENCY USE ONLY</div>		
20. ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION CODES FISCAL FUND BUD. DIV. YEAR CODE ACT. OFC. REG. SUB. POMS AMOUNT X A W4 I 80 04 1109969	21. W408D00143	



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1. The recipient agrees to comply with the financial and administrative requirements set forth in the current edition of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Financial Guide.
2. The recipient acknowledges that failure to submit an acceptable Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (if recipient is required to submit one pursuant to 28 C.F.R. Section 42.302), that is approved by the Office for Civil Rights, is a violation of its Certified Assurances and may result in suspension or termination of funding, until such time as the recipient is in compliance.
3. The recipient agrees to comply with the organizational audit requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, as further described in the current edition of the OJP Financial Guide, Chapter 19.
4. Recipient understands and agrees that it cannot use any federal funds, either directly or indirectly, in support of the enactment, repeal, modification or adoption of any law, regulation or policy, at any level of government without the express prior written approval of OVW, in order to avoid violation of 18 USC § 1913. The recipient may, however, use federal funds to collaborate with and provide information to Federal, State, local, tribal and territorial public officials and agencies to develop and implement policies to reduce or eliminate domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (as those terms are defined in 42 USC 13925(a)) when such collaboration and provision of information is consistent with the activities otherwise authorized under this grant program.
5. The grantee agrees to comply with the applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38, the Department of Justice regulation governing "Equal Treatment for Faith Based Organizations" (the "Equal Treatment Regulation"). The Equal Treatment Regulation provides in part that Department of Justice grant awards of direct funding may not be used to fund any inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization. Recipients of direct grants may still engage in inherently religious activities, but such activities must be separate in time or place from the Department of Justice funded program, and participation in such activities by individuals receiving services from the grantee or a sub-grantee must be voluntary. The Equal Treatment Regulation also makes clear that organizations participating in programs directly funded by the Department of Justice are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion.
6. The Director of OVW, upon a finding that there has been substantial failure by the grantee to comply with applicable laws, regulations, and/or the terms and conditions of the grant or cooperative agreement, will terminate or suspend until the Director is satisfied that there is no longer such failure, all or part of the grant or cooperative agreement, in accordance with the provisions of 28 CFR Part 18, as applicable mutatis mutandis.
7. The grantee agrees to comply with all relevant statutory and regulatory requirements which may include, among other relevant authorities, the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, P.L. 103-322, the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, P.L. 106-386, the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C 3711 et seq., the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, P.L. 109-162, and OVW's implementing regulations at 28 CFR Part 90.
8. Under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and VAWA 2000, grantees are required to collect and maintain data that measure the effectiveness of their grant-funded activities. Accordingly, the grantee agrees to submit semi-annual electronic progress reports on program activities and program effectiveness measures. Information that grantees must collect under GPRA and VAWA 2000 includes, but is not limited to: 1) number of persons served; 2) number of persons seeking services who could not be served; 3) number and percentage of arrests relative to the number of police responses to domestic violence incidents; 4) number of protection orders issued; and 5) number of victim advocates supported by grant funding.



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9. The grantee agrees to submit semiannual progress reports that describe project activities during the reporting period. Progress reports must be submitted within 30 days after the end of the reporting periods, which are January 1-June 30 and July 1 - December 31 for the duration of the award. Future awards may be withheld if progress reports are delinquent. Grantees are required to submit this information online, through the Grants Management System (GMS), on the semi-annual progress report for the relevant OVW grant programs.
10. A final report, which provides a summary of progress toward achieving the goals and objectives of the award, significant results, and any products developed under the award, is due 90 days after the end of the award. The Final Progress Report should be submitted to the Office on Violence Against Women through the Grants Management System with the Report Type indicated as "Final".
11. The grantee agrees to submit one copy of all reports and proposed publications funded by this agreement not less than twenty (20) days prior to public release, publication, or distribution for OVW review.
12. All materials and publications (written, visual, or sound) resulting from award activities shall contain the following statements: "This project was supported by Grant No. _____ awarded by the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice. The opinions, findings, conclusions, and recommendations expressed in this publication/program/exhibition are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.
13. Pursuant to 28 CFR §66.34, the Office on Violence Against Women reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, in whole or in part (including in the creation of derivative works), for Federal Government purposes:

(a) any work that is subject to copyright and was developed under this award, subaward, contract or subcontract pursuant to this award; and

(b) any work that is subject to copyright for which ownership was purchased by a recipient, subrecipient or a contractor with support under this award.

In addition, the recipient (or subrecipient, contractor or subcontractor) must obtain advance written approval from the Office on Violence Against Women program manager assigned to this award, and must comply with all conditions specified by the program manager in connection with that approval before: 1) using award funds to purchase ownership of, or a license to use, a copyrighted work; or 2) incorporating any copyrighted work, or portion thereof, into a new work developed under this award.

It is the responsibility of the recipient (and of each subrecipient, contractor or subcontractor as applicable) to ensure that this condition is included in any subaward, contract or subcontract under this award.
14. The grantee agrees that grant funds will not support activities that may compromise victim safety, such as: pre-trial diversion programs or the placement of offenders charged with crimes of domestic violence in such programs; mediation, couples counseling, family counseling or any other manner of joint victim-offender counseling; mandatory counseling for victims of domestic violence; forcing the victims to testify against their abusers; or the placement of perpetrators of domestic violence in anger management programs.
15. The grantee agrees to submit for OVW review and approval any anticipated addition of, removal of, or change in collaborating partner agencies or individuals who are signatories of the Memorandum of Understanding, and if applicable, the Internal Memorandum of Agreement.



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16. Approval of this award does not indicate approval of any consultant rate in excess of \$450 per day. A detailed justification must be submitted to and approved by the Office on Violence Against Women prior to obligation or expenditure of such funds.
17. The grantee agrees to allocate project funds as designated by the Office on Violence Against Women for allowable costs to participate in OVW-sponsored technical assistance. Funds designated for OVW-sponsored technical assistance may not be used for any other purpose without prior approval of OVW and the issuance of a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) permitting such use. Technical assistance includes, but is not limited to, peer-to-peer consultations, focus groups, mentoring site visits, conferences and workshops conducted by OVW-designated technical assistance providers or OVW-designated consultants and contractors.
18. The grantee will provide the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) with the agenda for any training seminars, workshops, or conferences not sponsored by OVW that project staff propose to attend using grant funds. The grantee must receive prior approval from OVW before using OVW grant funds to attend any training, workshops, or conferences not sponsored by OVW. To request approval, grantees must submit a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) request through the grants management system to OVW with a copy of the event's brochure, curriculum and/or agenda, a description of the hosts or trainers, and an estimated breakdown of costs. The GAN request should be submitted to OVW at least 20 days before registration for the event is due. Approval to attend non-OVW sponsored programs will be given on a case-by-case basis.
19. As a first time grant recipient under this grant program, the grantee agrees to send its project coordinator to an OVW technical assistance new grantee orientation seminar. Additionally, if there is a change in the project coordinator during the grant period, the grantee agrees to send the new project coordinator, regardless of prior experience with this or any other federal grant, to an OVW technical assistance new grantee orientation seminar.
20. The grantee agrees that grant funds will be used to address the coordination of services for children only where those services are linked to services provided to a victim of domestic violence and/or sexual assault.
21. Pursuant to 42 USC 3796hh(d), the grantee understands that 5% of this award is being withheld and that it may not obligate, expend or drawdown that 5% unless, by the period ending on the date on which the next session of the State legislature ends, the State or unit of local government, -- (1) certifies that it has a law or regulation that requires - (A) the State or unit of local government at the request of a victim to administer to a defendant, against whom an information or indictment is presented for a crime in which by force or threat of force the perpetrator compels the victim to engage in sexual activity, testing for the immunodeficiency virus (HIV) not later than 48 hours after the date on which the information or indictment is presented; (B) as soon as practicable notification to the victim, or parent and guardian of the victim, and defendant of the testing results; and (C) follow-up tests for HIV as may be medically appropriate, and that as soon as practicable after each such test the results be made available in accordance with subparagraph (B). The "next session of the State legislature" means the next session after the date on which the application for this award was submitted. If the grantee submits a certification, a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) will be issued, and the funds will become available for drawdown. If, by the date on which the next session of the State legislature ends, the grantee is not in compliance with this provision, the withheld funds will be deobligated from the amount of funds awarded for this award period. If the grantee is an Indian Tribe, it should contact OVW to determine whether it falls within the definition of "unit of local government" as defined by 42 USC § 3791. If it does not, a GAN will be issued and the condition will be removed.



Department of Justice

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Washington, D.C. 20531

Memorandum To: Official Grant File

From: Marnie R. Shiels, Attorney Advisor

Subject: Categorical Exclusion for Shelby County

The Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (Arrest) implements certain provisions of the Violence Against Women Act, which was enacted in September 1994 as Title IV of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 and reauthorized in the Violence Against Women Act in 2005. The program enhances victim safety and offender accountability in cases of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking by encouraging jurisdictions to implement mandatory and pro-arrest policies as an effective domestic violence intervention that is part of a coordinated community response. An integral component of Arrest Program initiatives is the creation and enhancement of collaborative partnerships between criminal justice agencies, victim services providers, and community organizations which respond to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. None of the following activities will be conducted under the OVW federal action:

1. New construction.
2. Any renovation or remodeling of a property either (a) listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places or (b) located within a 100-year floodplain.
3. A renovation which will change the basic prior use of a facility or significantly change its size.
4. Research and technology whose anticipated and future application could be expected to have an effect on the environment.
5. Implementation of a program involving the use of chemicals.

Consequently, the subject federal action meets the criteria for a categorical exclusion as contained in paragraph 4.(b) of Appendix D to Part 61 of the Code of Federal Regulations (adopted by OVW at 28 CFR § 0.122(b)).

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This project is supported under 42 U.S.C. 3796hh - 3796hh-4 (OVW - Arrest)		
1. STAFF CONTACT (Name & telephone number) Darla Sims (202) 514-8818	2. PROJECT DIRECTOR (Name, address & telephone number) A C Wharton Director 160 North Main, Suite 850 Memphis, TN 38103 (901) 545-4274	
3a. TITLE OF THE PROGRAM OVW FY 08 Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders		3b. POMS CODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE)
4. TITLE OF PROJECT Collaborative Grant to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders		
5. NAME & ADDRESS OF GRANTEE Shelby County 160 North Main Street, Suite 850 Memphis, TN 38103	6. NAME & ADRESS OF SUBGRANTEE	
7. PROGRAM PERIOD FROM: 09/01/2008 TO: 08/31/2010	8. BUDGET PERIOD FROM: 09/01/2008 TO: 08/31/2010	
9. AMOUNT OF AWARD \$ 1,109,969	10. DATE OF AWARD 09/19/2008	
11. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET	12. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT	
13. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD	14. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT	
15. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (See instruction on reverse) The Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (Arrest) implements certain provisions of the Violence Against Women Act, which was enacted in September 1994 as Title IV of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, reauthorized in the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 and the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005. The program enhances victim safety and offender accountability in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking by encouraging jurisdictions to implement pro-arrest policies as an effective intervention that is part of a coordinated community response.		

An integral component of Arrest Program initiatives is the creation and enhancement of collaborative partnerships between criminal justice agencies, victim services providers, and community organizations which respond to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking.

This project will be implemented within Shelby County, Tennessee. The County is a metropolitan area that includes the City of Memphis which has a population of 911,438. The County is located in the southwest corner of the state and covers a geographic area of 755 square miles. This grant project will be an extension of a previous Arrest program award that was made to the City of Memphis. Undeserved populations compose a significant percentage of Shelby County residents with African-Americans being 52% of the population and persons of Latino origin being 3.8% of the population. The County is the poorest urban area within the state, with 22% of its families living below the poverty level.

The Shelby County Government, in collaboration with its non-profit, non-governmental victim service partners YMCA of Greater Memphis, Memphis Child Advocacy Center and Memphis Legal Services, will implement this project to increase both the safety of victims of domestic violence and offender accountability. Through this new award, the project will: 1) enhance the capacity of local law enforcement and prosecution agencies to identify, track, apprehend and prosecute domestic violence offenders who violate orders of protection through the employment of two investigating officers; 2) plan and implement the development of a Family Safety Center to provide comprehensive services to victims at a single location; 3) hire one full-time attorney to increase available legal services for victims; 4) increase the effectiveness of advocacy services, to include court advocacy for victims of domestic violence, stalking and dating violence; and 5) develop an evaluation plan to evaluate activities and make recommendations for improvement.

CA/NCF